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E.O. 12958: N/A TAGS: PGOV PHUM BR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR US SPONSORED TRAINING, JOINT COMBINED EXCHANGE TRAINING (JCET), FROM APRIL 15-MAY 30, 2010

REF: MLO 10-026 / 20 JAN 2010

- 11. (U) Post requests the Department's assistance in screening the following Unit Commander, of the Brazilian Marine Corps, who has been nominated to lead a unit of approximately 200 people to participate in the Joint Combined Exchange Training (JCET), from April 15-May 30, 2010, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act.
- 12. (U) Post verifies that, as of February 5, it possesses no derogatory information of gross human rights violations by the following Brazilian service member as cited below.
- 13. (U) Name of the unit: Marine Corps Special Operations Battalion

Name of the Unit's Commander: Afonso FERREIRA DE SOUSA, Fernando Jos????

DPOB: 02 AUG 61 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil

CPF: 730.458.107-72

Father: Antonio Fernando Ferreira de Sousa

Mother: Dulce da Costa Afonso

Gender: Male

Unit: Marine Corps Special Operations Battalion

Organization: Brazilian Marine Corps

Title: Colonel

Unit has approximately 200 people

¶4. (U) Due to the need for 45 advanced travel arrangements, if possible, post requests a response ASAP, but by/before March 4, and greatly appreciates Department's assistance. SHANNON